

**CITY COUNCIL
BUSINESS/STUDY SESSION MINUTES
March 13, 2012**

The Business Meeting of the Monroe City Council was held on March 13, 2012, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Robert Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Councilpersons present: Goering, Cudaback, Williams, Kamp, Davis, Gamble, and Hanford.

It was noted that Councilperson Goering would be late.

Staff present: Brazel, Feilberg, Warthan, Nelson, Quenzer, Farrell, Sax, and Popelka.

City Attorney Zach Lell was not present.

Mayor Zimmerman introduced members of Girl Scout Troop 5306, who lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Zimmerman moved Announcements and Presentations up on the agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Proclamation: Girl Scout Centennial - Year of the Girl

Mayor Zimmerman read the Proclamation celebrating *The Year of the Girl* and 100 Years of Girl Scouting.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Steve Whalen 14924 Austin Ave SE Monroe, WA 98272, addressed Council opposing legalization of marijuana growth.

Jeff Rasmussen, Monroe, WA, addressed Council regarding his opposition to the Lake Ty wake board park.

Joel Phillips, 505 Circle Drive Monroe, WA, addressed Council regarding video cameras in Council Chambers and offered to help with installation.

BUSINESS & ACTION ITEMS:

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Roosevelt Ridge Proposed Zoning Regulation/1st Public Hearings

Planning & Permit Manager Popelka gave a brief overview presentation.

Mayor Zimmerman opened the public hearing.

No citizens wished to address Council.

The motion was made by Councilperson Williams and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to close the public testimony portion of the public hearing. On vote,

Motion carried 6/0.

It was noted that this was the first of two public hearings; there will be another public hearing on April 24th.

The motion was made by Councilperson Cudaback and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to close the public hearing. On vote,

Motion carried 6/0.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Transportation Benefit District/Review Ordinance and Set Public Hearing

Public Works Director Feilberg gave a brief introduction, including funding options, and asked that a hearing date be set on this subject.

After discussion, it was agreed to schedule the public hearing for April 10, 2012, with some modifications to the proposed ordinance as suggested by Council.

2. Ordinance Amending Mixed Use Setbacks/1st Reading

Planning & Permit Manager gave a brief introduction.

The motion was made by Councilperson Williams and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to accept as first reading Ordinance #007/2012, an ordinance of the City of Monroe, Washington updating Chapter 18 Planning and Zoning of The Monroe Municipal Code to provide greater flexibility for single family residences in the Mixed Use-Neighborhood Center zoning districts as referenced in 18.10 MMC, providing for severability and fixing a time when the same shall become effective, as read into the record by City Administrator Brazel.

FINAL ACTION

1. Authorize Mayor to Sign Municipal Stormwater Capacity Grant Amendment

Public Works Director Feilberg gave a brief introduction.

The motion was made by Councilperson Kamp and seconded by Councilperson Hanford, to authorize the Mayor to sign the Municipal Stormwater Capacity Grant Amendment to receive \$50,000 for Stormwater NPDES implementation. On vote,

Motion carried 6/0.

2. Ordinance Amending Airport Compatibility Zone Notice Requirements/2nd & Final Reading

Planning & Permit Manager gave a brief introduction.

Councilperson Goering entered Council Chambers at 8:00 p.m.

The motion was made by Councilperson Gamble and seconded by Councilperson Cudaback, to accept as second and final reading Ordinance #005/2012: Zoning Code Amendment ZCA2012-01 to amend Chapter 18.60 of the Monroe Municipal Code modifying notice requirements for the Airport Compatibility Overlay Zone. The full title was read into the record by City Administrator Brazel. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

3. Lift Hiring Freeze and Authorize a Part-Time, Temporary Administrative Aide Position

Chief Quenzer gave a brief introduction.

After clarifying questions, the motion was made by Councilperson Kamp and seconded by Councilperson Goering, to lift hiring freeze and authorize hiring a part-time, temporary administrative aide. On vote,

Motion carried 7/0.

MEETING RECONVENED INTO STUDY SESSION:

8:05 p.m.

STUDY SESSION TOPICS:

1. City Addresses/Annexed Properties

Public Works Director Feilberg gave a brief update, and recommended not making changes to addresses. An alternative would be to schedule a public meeting for July 17th.

After discussion, Council consensus was to direct staff to work with the Post Office to change annexed areas from Snohomish addresses to Monroe addresses.

2. Department Reports

Mayor Zimmerman suggested that Council take a tour of the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Finance Director Nelson brought the sales tax report to Council's attention. She also reported on the success of National Passport Day on Saturday.

Feilberg reported on the new engineer, who has settled into his role quickly.

Mayor Zimmerman reported on the positive feedback on the Planning and Permitting staff.

City Administrator Brazel reported further on the great job City staff is doing.

3. Draft Agenda for March 20, 2012

City Administrator Brazel presented the draft agenda for March 20, 2012.

4. July 3, 2012 Council Meeting

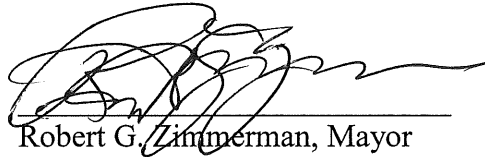
City Administrator Brazel brought to Council's attention changes that are needed to the meeting schedules in April and July. It was determined that there would be a meeting on April 24th, the July 3rd meeting would be cancelled, and that there would be a meeting on July 24th.

Mayor Zimmerman reported that he would be preparing an opinion statement regarding the cost to citizens of Monroe, should there be a delay on the proposed Walmart store due to the appeal of the court's decision in the City's favor.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:38 p.m.


Robert G. Zimmerman, Mayor
Ben Warthan, Human Resources Manager